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**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

WILLIAM B. HOLDER, M.D.
License No.:25MA04914000

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of a complaint by patient A.L. who had engaged the services of William B. Holder, M.D. for treatment of herself and her minor son B.L. The complaint initially alleged that A.L. had repeatedly requested Dr. Holder to supply patient records for herself and her son, and that Dr. Holder had refused to comply with the requests. The matter was resolved by the Board's administrative staff with a signed Assurance of Voluntary Compliance in which Dr. Holder attested to providing the medical records.

Dr. Holder practices integrative and complementary medicine, which includes nutritional, herbal, acupuncture and homeopathic remedies. A letter from Dr. Holder to A.L., provided with B.L.'s

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patient record, states that "Except for acupuncture, these complementary areas once given to you at the office visit are not kept in the medical record." Also included in the medical record sent to A.L. were the lab results for another, unrelated, patient. Based on Board concern that the medical record provided to A.L. was incomplete or inaccurate, Dr. Holder was asked to appear before a Committee of the Board.

Dr. Holder appeared and testified before a Committee of the Board on January 26, 2005. At this appearance, Dr. Holder produced documents, including records relating to A.L. and B.L., that had not been provided in the records produced to A.L. The records were replete with undated and/or non-consecutive entries and did not reflect complementary treatments (with the exception of acupuncture and a notation of advice to the patient about avoiding airborne allergens.) In addition, Dr. Holder was not able to provide records of the allergy testing he ordered for B.L. in the first month of treatment to the Board.

Upon review of all available information, the Board finds that Dr. Holder has failed to prepare and maintain adequate medical records for his patients A.L. and B.L. and failed to comply with patient requests to provide records. Dr. Holder was previously a signatory to a Board Consent Order filed 3/12/96. The order mandated that Dr. Holder utilize proper medical coding for insurance reimbursement; maintain patient records consistent with that coding; abandon the use of "acuscope" equipment; advise all patients that he might be using untraditional methods and procedures for some part of their treatment and obtain informed consent from those patients who

agree to said unconventional methods and procedures; and abandon the sale of supplements, homeopathic remedies, Chinese botanicals, herbal formulas, plant-based enzymes, Ginki [sic] products and similar items.

The parties, having agreed to the resolution of this matter without further formal proceedings, and Respondent having agreed and given his voluntary consent to the within Order, and the Board finding the within disposition is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause having been shown,

IT IS, therefore on this 24th day of January, 2006

ORDERED THAT

1. Respondent, William B. Holder, M.D.'s license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of New Jersey is suspended for a period of one year for inaccurate record keeping in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.5, thus violating N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h). The suspension is stayed and will be served as probation, with the following conditions.

2. Dr. Holder shall, within one year following the entry of this Order, take and successfully complete a medical record-keeping course approved in advance by the Board. Successful completion means that all sessions were attended, all assignments were properly and appropriately completed, and a passing grade was achieved which was unconditional and without reservation. Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of said course-work to the Board within one (1) year hereof.

3. Dr. Holder shall appear before the Medical Director of the Board every three months to review charts selected at the Medical Director's discretion.

4. Dr. Holder shall pay a \$10,000.00 civil penalty upon entry of the within order. Respondent shall pay \$2,000.00 of this amount within ten (10) days of the entry date of this Order. The remaining \$8,000.00 will be memorialized in a Certificate of Debt duly recorded in the State of New Jersey, and shall be paid at the Court rule rate of interest (currently 1%) in eighteen (18) monthly installments of \$447.97, to be received by the Board by the fifteenth (15th) day of each month, commencing December 15, 2005 and ending May 15, 2007. Payments shall be made by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to the State Board of Medical Examiners at P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183. Any failure to make payments under the terms of this Order shall accelerate the total debt to the Board and shall subject Respondent to any and all remedies available to the Board under N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 and N.J.S.A. 45:1-22.

5. Dr. Holder shall pay costs of investigation in the amount of \$206.66 to be remitted contemporaneously with his submission of this Order. The Board reserves the right to file a certificate of debt in the event payment due pursuant to paragraphs 4 and 5 herein is not timely received.

6. Respondent shall comply with the standard form of "Directives Applicable to Any Medical Board Licensee who is Disciplined or Whose

Surrender of Licensure has been Accepted," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

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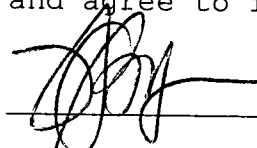
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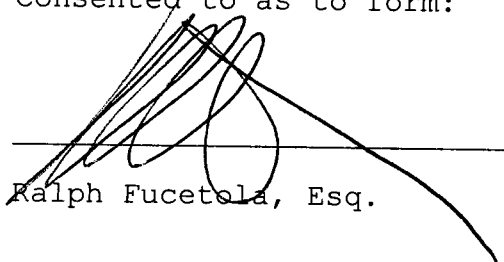
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I have read the within Order
and agree to its terms.



William B. Holder, M.D.

Consented to as to form:



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